GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1272
ANSWERED ON:26.02.2003
HAJ PILGRIMS
CHANDRA NATH SINGH;CHANDRESH PATEL KORDIA;NIVEDITA MANE;RENUKA CHOWDHURY

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Haj pilgrims who visited Mecca during the year 2003 as compared to the previous two years; and

(b) the details in this regard, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) The total number of Haj pilgrims who visited Makkah during the year 2003, 2002 and 2001 through the Haj Committee, Mumbai and Private Tour Operators are as follows:-

2003	-	116,078
2002	-	118,759
2001	-	118,512

(b) State-wise information in respect of pilgrim who went through Private Tour Operators is not available. However the State-wise details of pilgrims who went through the Haj Committee, Mumbai is placed on the table of the House.

Statement referred to in Part (b) of the Answer to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.1272 to be answered on 26.02.03

S T A T E S	2001	2002	2003
	NO.OF PILGRIMS PROCEEDED	NO.OF PILGRIMS PROCEEDED	NO.OF PILGRIMS PROCEEDED
DAMAN DIU	23	30	27
DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	15	18	5
GOA	28	26	19
GUJARAT	7082	5993	4351
MADHYA PRADESH	3406	3282	2895
CHATTISGRAH		210	287
MAHARASHTRA	10682	10583	8900
CHANDIGARH	4	10	22
DELHI	2649	2456	2435
HARYANA	720	577	480
HIMACHAL PRADESH	39	25	44
JAMMU KASHMIR	5746	6383	7701
PUNJAB	144	180	225
U.P/UTTARANCHAL	12085	11749	12367
RAJASTHAN	4297	4202	3585
ANDHRA PRADESH	3711	4634	4841
KARNATAKA	4848	3900	3608
ANDAMAN NICOBAR	13	31	22
LAKSHADWEEP	216	156	156
PONDICHERRY	72	63	43
KERALA	6221	6780	7813
TAMIL NADU	2858	2682	2743
ASSAM	1067	1106	1102
BIHAR	1771	1308	1508
JHARKHAND		692	811
MANIPUR	198	173	132
ORISSA	214	270	236
TRIPURA	9	47	16
WEST BENGAL	2056	2278	1972

GOVT. QUOTA / H.C	959	432	1449
TOTAL	71133	70276	69795